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CENTRAL FAX CENTER****DEC 07 2007****1 Amendments to the Claims:**

2 This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

3 Listing of Claims:

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5 1. (previously presented) A system for fulfilling services orders onboard a transport
6 vehicle, the system comprising:

7 (a) a plurality of computers that include an onboard computer transported with the
8 vehicle, and an external computer not transported with the vehicle;

9 (b) software installed on the onboard computer, the onboard computer software being
10 operable on the onboard computer for causing the onboard computer to perform tasks
11 including:

12 i) obtaining service information from the external computer via communication with
13 the external computer if a communication pathway to the external computer is open;
14 and

15 ii) providing access to service information by vehicle personnel for fulfillment of the
16 service orders; and

17 (c) software installed on the external computer, the external computer software being
18 operable on the external computer for causing the external computer to perform tasks
19 including:

20 i) acquiring information to determine the available services provided on the transport
21 vehicle; and

22 ii) managing the delivery of services to the transport vehicle; and

23 iii) making service information obtainable by the onboard computer.

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25 2. (original) The system of claim 1, wherein at least some service orders include
26 requests for delivery of products to passengers, and the onboard computer software includes

1 logic routines adapted for managing delivery of products in accordance with service orders,
2 and billing of passengers for fulfillment of service orders.

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4 3. (original) The system of claim 2, wherein the logic routines associate a seat
5 location with each service order.

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7 4. (original) The system of claim 1, wherein the external computer software is further
8 operable on the external computer for accepting service orders prior to boarding and
9 associates each service order with a vehicle departure and makes the information obtainable
10 by the onboard computer.

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12 5. (original) The system of claim 1, wherein the external computer software is further
13 operable on the external computer for analyzing at least one of historical service order
14 information and currently entered service order information, and based on the analysis
15 recommends vehicle inventory, and associates each current service order with a vehicle
16 departure and makes the information obtainable by the onboard computer.

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18 6. (previously presented) The system of claim 1, wherein at least some of the service
19 orders include requests for delivery of products and the external computer software further
20 comprises software logic operable for managing flow of inventory from a terminal to the
21 vehicle and from other sources to the terminal.

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23 7. (currently amended) A system for fulfilling service orders on a transport vehicle,
24 the system comprising an onboard computer transported with the vehicle and connections
25 with electronic devices operated by vehicle personnel or passengers, the onboard computer
26 including software, which when operated on the onboard computer and electronic devices

1 causes the onboard computer to perform tasks comprising providing [[a]] menu options
2 adapted for ~~individual passengers~~ specific customer preferences that ~~varies~~ vary based on
3 ~~explicit preordering~~ pre-selected products and services and historical preference and
4 accepting service orders entered via the electronic devices by vehicle personnel or passengers
5 and making the service orders accessible to vehicle personnel.

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7 8. (previously presented) A system for fulfilling service orders on a transport vehicle,
8 the system comprising an onboard computer transported with the vehicle and connections
9 with electronic devices operated by vehicle personnel or passengers, the onboard computer
10 including software, which when operated on the onboard computer and electronic devices
11 causes the onboard computer to perform tasks comprising accepting service orders entered
12 via the electronic devices by vehicle personnel or passengers and making the service orders
13 accessible to vehicle personnel, wherein the electronic devices include passenger supplied
14 personal information processing apparatus carried on by passengers.

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16 9. (previously presented) The system of claim 8, wherein the connections comprise
17 wireless communication between the passenger supplied personal information processing
18 apparatus carried on by passengers and the onboard computer.

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20 10. (original) The system of claim 7, wherein the electronic devices include handheld
21 computers used by vehicle personnel for creating and accessing service orders on the onboard
22 computer by communication between the handheld computers and the onboard computer.

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24 11. (original) The system of claim 10, wherein the communication between the
25 handheld computers and the onboard computer comprises wireless communication.

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1 12. (original) The system of claim 7, wherein the handheld or onboard computers
2 include hardware and software enabling reading of cards for facilitation of onboard cash-less
3 transactions.

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5 13. (previously presented) The system of claim 7, further comprising an external
6 computer not transported with the vehicle, the external computer including software being
7 operable on the external computer for causing the external computer to perform tasks
8 comprising: a) accepting service orders for passengers via communication with other
9 computers through which service orders are entered; b) making accepted service orders
10 obtainable by the onboard computer, wherein the onboard computer software is operable for
11 obtaining passenger service orders from the external computer if a communication route to
12 the external computer is open; and c) validating credit transactions communicated by the
13 onboard computer if a communication route to the onboard computer is open.

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15 14. (original) The system of claim 13, wherein the external computer software is
16 further operable on the external computer for accepting service orders prior to passenger
17 boarding, and associates each service order with a flight and makes the information
18 obtainable by the onboard computer.

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20 15. (original) The system of claim 13, wherein if a service order includes a request for
21 Internet access, the onboard computer provides Internet access to a connection at a passenger
22 seat location corresponding to the service order, by making use of said communication route.

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24 16. (currently amended) A system for fulfilling service orders on a transport vehicle,
25 the system comprising an external computer not transported with the vehicle, the external
26 computer including software being operable on the external computer for causing the external

1 computer to perform tasks comprising: a) accessing database information pertaining to
2 vehicle departure, destination, past services orders, and inventory information; b) based on
3 the database information, estimating service orders expected to be received and
4 recommending inventory for transport with the vehicle for onboard fulfillment of service
5 orders; and providing [[a]] menu options adapted for individual passengers specific customer
6 preferences that vary based on explicit preordering pre-selected products and services and
7 historical preference.

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9 17. (original) The system of claim 16, wherein the external computer accepts service
10 orders via communication with other computers through which service orders are entered.

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12 18. (original) The system of claim 17, wherein the other computers include kiosks at
13 terminal areas.

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15 19. (original) The system of claim 17, wherein the other computers include computers
16 connected to the Internet.

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18 20. (original) The system of claim 17, wherein the external computer software is
19 further operable on the external computer for analyzing currently accepted service orders
20 prior to boarding to determine needed inventory for onboard service order fulfillment and
21 associates each service order with a vehicle departure and makes the information obtainable
22 by the onboard computer.

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24 21. (original) The system of claim 16, wherein the external computer software is
25 further operable on the external computer for recommending based on the database
26 information, inventory for terminal storage for replenishing onboard inventory.

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2 22. (previously presented) The system of claim 16, further comprising an onboard
3 computer, including software installed on the onboard computer, the onboard computer
4 software being operable on the onboard computer for causing the onboard computer to
5 perform tasks including: a) obtaining service information from the external computer via
6 communication with the external computer if a communication pathway to the external
7 computer is open; and b) providing access to service information by vehicle personnel for
8 fulfillment thereof.

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10 23. (original) The system of claim 16, wherein at least some of the service orders
11 include requests for delivery of products and the external computer software further
12 comprising software logic operable for managing flow of inventory from the terminal to the
13 vehicle and from other sources to the terminal.

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15 24. (previously presented) The system of claim 22 wherein the onboard computer
16 software further comprises routines used to manage product flow on the vehicle and residual
17 product flow off the vehicle.

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19 25. (previously presented) The system of claim 1, further comprising handheld
20 computers used by vehicle personnel for creating and accessing service orders on the onboard
21 computer by communication between the handheld computers and the onboard computer.